

# Performance Measurement Initiative

## 2016 Annual Report

### Regional Summary: Western Hemisphere

Following their exchange program, respondents indicated...

"more" or "much more" favorable views of:

the American People



the United States Government



"moderate" or "substantial" change in their understanding of United States:

Daily Life 90%

Values and Culture 88%

Voluntary Community Service 81%

Democracy 80%

Religious and Ethnic Diversity 79%

Freedom of Speech and the Press 76%

Economy 73%

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Prior to their exchange program...

55%

of respondents indicated

Increasing Skills (Including Professional, English Language, and Leadership)

as one of their goals for their time in the United States

Following their exchange program...

96%

of respondents "somewhat or "strongly" agreed with the statement:

"I feel I have many choices in my life."

87%

of respondents indicated that they "to some" or "to a great" extent:

Consider themselves leaders within their communities

51%

of respondents indicated

Having achieved their goal of increasing skills

Of respondents from 2015 exchange programs:

96%

Remained in contact with people met while in the United States



Those people included...

Other program participants 78%

Americans met in...



an academic setting

63%



a community or cultural setting

30%



a professional setting

19%

Programs included in surveying: Community College Initiative (2015-16 pre/post, 2014-15 follow-up); Community Solutions (2016 pre/post); Global UGRAD (2015-16 pre/post); Fulbright Foreign Language Teacher Assistant Program (2015-16 pre/post, 2014-15 follow-up); Professional Fellows Program (2016 all cohorts pre/post, 2015 follow-up); Select International Visitor Leadership Visitor Multi-Regional Projects (FY 2015 follow-up); Young Leaders of America Initiative (2016 pre/post); Youth Ambassadors Program (2016 all cohorts pre/post)